

REMARKS

Applicant has amended claims 1 and 13. The Examiner has indicated that claim 6 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form and therefore it is believed that claim 1 is in proper form for allowance. Applicant has cancelled claims 4-6 because they are incorporated now into claim 1.

Applicant has amended claim 13 by deleting a portion of the preamble to the claim relating to the calibrations on the elongated body. These calibrations do not participate in the method and therefore are believed to be deletable without affecting the allowability of claim 13.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests that a Notice of Allowance be issued. If prosecution of the present application can be facilitated by a telephone interview, Applicant invites the Examiner to telephone the Applicant's attorney of record at the below identified telephone number.

No fees or extensions of time are believed to be due in connection with this amendment; however, consider this a request for any extension inadvertently omitted, and charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 26-0084.

Reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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